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***ADVISORY ACTION***

Continuation of 3. will not be entered because:

Applicants have amended base claim 4 to introduce the new limitation: "a viral vector which is delivered to said cancer cells by intratumoral or intralesional injection". The scope of the claims previously examined was directed to "delivering to and expressing in said cells a nucleic acid encoding KChAP protein". Applicants' claim amendment has altered the scope of the claimed invention, because the instant specification defines intralesional delivery as "nearly direct, i.e., intralesional, that is, to an area that is sufficiently close to a tumor" (paragraph [0075], p. 18. Thus, the instant claims encompass nucleic acid delivery to non-cancer cells in the vicinity of a tumor, constituting subject matter not previously examined; requiring new search and consideration of patentability.

Continuation of 11. does not place the application in condition for allowance because:

Applicants' arguments are based on the proposed amended claims. However, as these claims have not been entered, the arguments are not found to be persuasive.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to FEREDYOUN G. SAJJADI whose telephone number is (571)272-3311. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:30 AM-3:30 PM EST.

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